

# THE CONNECTOR

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## THE NEXT AGS MEETING WILL BE ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 5<sup>th</sup> AT 6:45 PM AT THE ENDICOTT LIBRARY

Changes to time or location will be noted in this newsletter

### *The Vice Prez Sez. . . .*

November provided us with a few "Indian Summer" days that were great for flying. I hope you all were able to take advantage of those days.

We are entering December, and it's time to think about mounting the skis on our planes. It won't be long before we get together for the New Years Day Fly.

Indoor fliers are meeting every other week in Sayre. If you have a suitable plane, you might consider joining them.

I'm sure that most of us have also been busy with holiday festivities and shopping. I hope everyone had a happy Thanksgiving and plenty of turkey and dressing.

The AGS Christmas party will be held during the next meeting. The program will be the party, but feel free to bring any "Show and Tells". The business meeting will be short, so we have plenty of time for food and games. I'm looking forward to the fellowship, food and door prizes.

Guests are also welcome. Remember to let Bob Balsie know how many will be attending.

I hope to see you all at the party on December 5 at 6:45 at the Endicott Library.

Ed Lancki

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### Coming Events

**AGS Meeting &  
Holiday Party**  
Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> 6:45 PM  
ENDICOTT LIBRARY

**New Years Fly**  
Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>, 10:30 AM  
Broome Soccer Fields

**Winter Fly**  
Feb. 11<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 AM  
Broome Soccer Fields

**Spring Fling**  
March 24<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 AM  
Broome Soccer Fields

### **Cancellation of AGS Meetings:**

In the event of poor weather,  
call the Library at 757-5350. If  
the library is closed, you will  
receive only the hours of  
operation.

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## New Years Day Fly 2012

Frank Gioffredo

It's hard to believe that this year is coming to an end, but it's OK because we can start the new year out with our first activity of 2012, our New Years Day Fly. As always this event is open to all club members and any guests wishing to come. AMA is required. We will offer the traditional Chili, Hot Dogs, Coffee, and Tea. Thanks to Doug Breneman we are again able to use the BC United Soccer Fields, located just on the north side of the Ann McGuiness School in West Corners, right off of RT. 26. Flying will start at 10:30am and run until 2:00pm or until we get too cold, (not likely with the excellent food available). No fee will be charged but donations will be graciously accepted to help offset the food costs. And as per usual prepare for snow but keep the wheels at the ready just in case the white stuff doesn't drop. I hope if you can you will come out for some fun and fellowship to bring in the New Year. See you there. Frank.

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### ...and the Trez Sez (again)

This is the beginning of a new fiscal year and that means it's time to pay your dues for the coming season. The dues are \$72.00 for Regular members, \$60 for Senior members and \$18 for Student members. You should pay your dues as soon as possible so that we will have an idea about our available resources for the coming year. Bob Johnson will be at the next meeting to receive your payment and will put a sticker on your AMA card. You may also mail your dues check to the club post office box. The address is given on page 2 of this newsletter.

## AGS General Meeting Minutes November 7, 2011

Meeting No. 769, called to order by Terry Terrenoire at 6:45PM.

Visitor: Dave Roberts.

Minutes for Oct 3 meeting – The scheduled date for the Pylon Racers helpers party was announced by Jim Quinn not Terry Terrenoire. Don Green made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected. Seconded by Doug Breneman. Motion approved.

Bob Johnson gave the Treasurer's monthly financial report.

Terry Terrenoire gave a report on the pylon race season:

Only 6 races held.

3<sup>rd</sup> place: Jim Quinn

2<sup>nd</sup> place: Don Shugard

1<sup>st</sup> place: Nationwide Champion, Jeff Hatton

Sprint Competition Champion – Bob Noll

Terry Terrenoire: Acknowledged Paul Slocum's resignation as president, due to health issues. We should have had discussion on nomination of officers at September meeting but this was not done for a variety of reasons. Nominations are as follows:

Bob Johnson – Treasurer, second term.

John Carril – Secretary, second term.

Ed Lancki – Vice-President.

Vern Ziegler – Board Member at Large

New President – need candidates. Asked for nominations, none submitted.

**ACTION:** The Board must nominate and elect

Nominations must be posted in Connector.

Bob Thomson made a motion for the Secretary to cast a single vote for all nominees; seconded by Mark Lecher. Motion was carried and all nominees were elected.

A discussion was held on Terry Terrenoire's proposals for converting the two club trainers to electric or 2.4 MHz, or selling them. Scott Wallace disagreed, proposing that they be left as is and stored for future use for events. It was agreed that that they should be left as is and stored. Scott Wallace and John Carril each agreed to store one of them.

Winter Fly – John Carril is to get insurance certificate for

BC United field for one year (extended period) instead of just three months, since the field is available for a longer period.

Doug Breneman has agreed to store 3 pounds of frozen Sabrett hot dogs for the club.

A discussion was held about the possibility of holding a club auction, tentatively March 31/2012. Potential sites are the Endicott Elks and the West Corners firehouse. Terry and Jim will look into the firehouse availability. Scott Wallace may be available to run it.

### Program:

Bob Johnson gave a presentation on inexpensive flight simulators providing comparisons of features and cost.

### Show and Tell:

Bob Noll showed his Skybolt Sport scale biplane that earned 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the Nationals. The model's design is based on the full scale version that Scott Wallace's father built. Afterwards, Bob presented the plane to Scott Wallace.

Doug Breneman showed a Harbor Freight aluminum case (Model 39196) that he purchased for \$19.99 (reg. price \$29.99 but was on sale for \$24.99 less 4.98 with their 20% coupon). It measures 18"x12-3/4"x6" and will accommodate two transmitters. It has 1-inch foam in the lid and 2-inches in the bottom, multiple dividers, a removal tool pocket, a carry strap and two keyed locks (that he said don't lock anything).

Jeff Hatton showed a Dynex kit that he purchased for \$30 to replace his Foresight and only weighs 1.2 oz.

Ed Lancki showed a battery tester that he purchased from Heads Up RC for \$6.

Terry Terrenoire - showed his Tough Flite that he built from a kit (\$65). He reported that it flies very nicely. He also showed a pair of gloves he purchased that have the ability to expose your thumbs and index fingers. Terry also reported that he ordered six lithium polymer transmitter battery backs and has sold five of them.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

John Carril

AGS Secretary

The Deadline for Connector articles is two Fridays before the meeting. Please have submissions to the Editor before then.  
Electronic Submissions are preferred.  
E-mail them to [RC\\_flyer@stny.rr.com](mailto:RC_flyer@stny.rr.com)  
**Deadline for the next Connector is 12/23/2011**

## **Don't Forget the Annual Holiday Party**

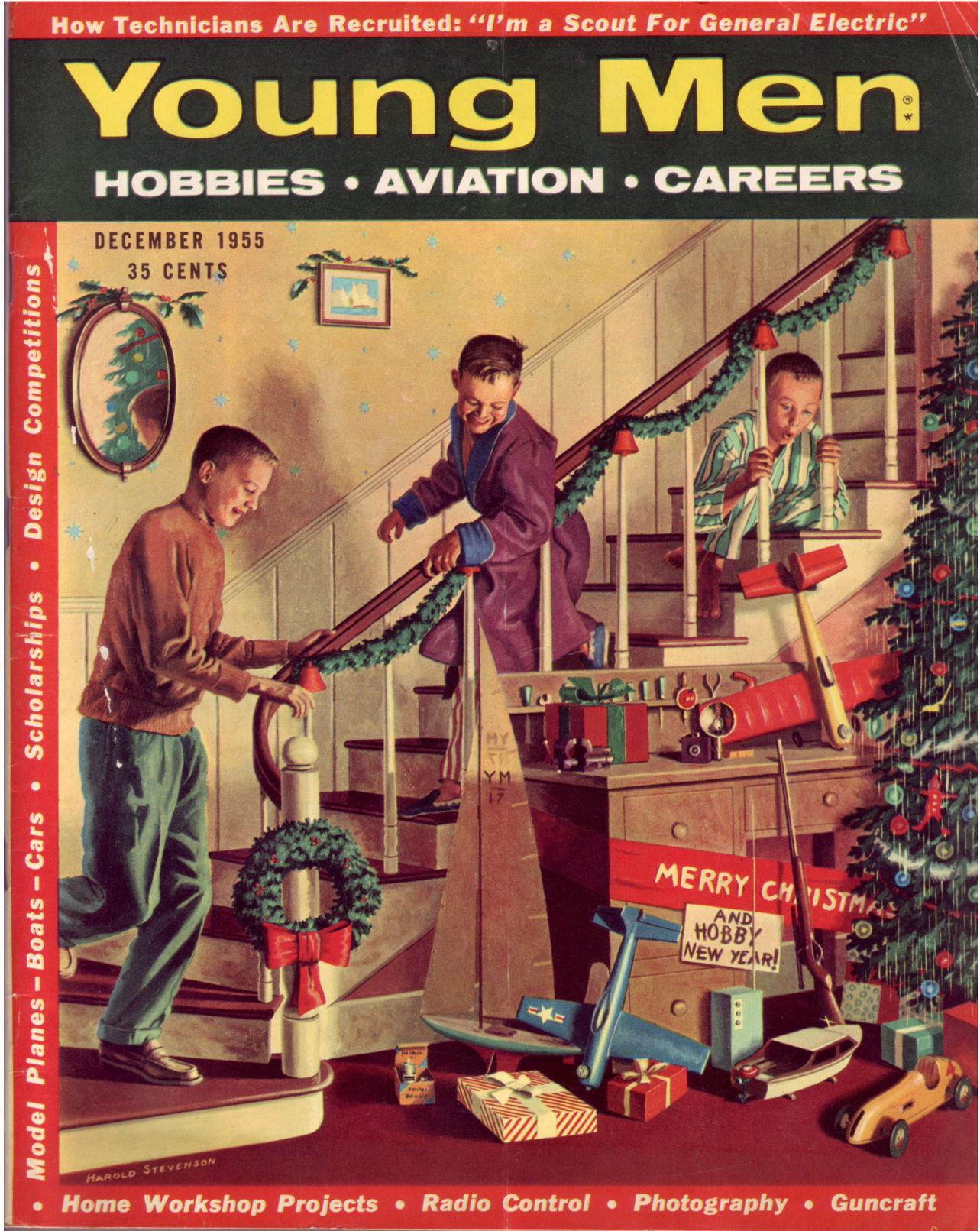
Our Annual Holiday Party is just around the corner. The date will be December 5<sup>th</sup> and as usual, the party will take place at our monthly meeting. We will have prize drawings and we'll play Aviation Bingo again this year. One change will be that this year, all of the prizes will be wrapped in Christmas paper so you won't know what you're getting until after you open the prize. Here's your chance to see if it's really true that "good things come in small packages". All members and their families are invited. Once again we'll be serving pizza and soda provided by the club and members are encouraged to bring their favorite appetizer, snack, or dessert. So mark your calendars, collect your family members and think snow!

**Bob Balsie**



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# Happy Holidays from the AGS



December Program

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